(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

Firms Black-Listed by Kendriya Bhandar

4934. SHRI MADAN LAL KHURANA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the firms that were black-listed by the Kendriya Bhandar during the last three years;

(b) the reasons for taking such a course of action, firm-wise;

(c) the number out of these black-listed firms were re-introduced with reasons therefor; and

(d) the number of complaints received from the Government departments about the poor quality of supply of stationery and the other items to them during the last three years and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) No firm has been black-listed by the Kendriya Bhandar during the last three ye

(b) and (c). Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(d) As per available records 16 written complaints were received from Government Departments about supplies of stationery and other items made to them during the last three years. Most of the complaints were of minor nature and were attended to by the Kendriya Bhandar by replacing the supplies wherever—it was justified. In one case a price reduction was given to the customer and appropriate action has been taken against the concerned firm.

Blacklisting of Firms by Super Bazar

4935. SHRI MADAN LAL KHURANA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the firms blacklisted by the Super Bazar so far;

(b) the reasons for taking such a course of action, case-wise:

(c) how many of these blacklisted firms were re-introduced with reasons thereof; and

(d) the number of complaints received from the Government departments about the poor quality of supply of stationery and other items of them during the last three years and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) and (b). Super Bazar has blacklisted six firms so far in the preceding five years. Teh names of the firms alongwith reasons for taking such action against them are as below:—

(1) M/s. Advance Hosiery Mills, Ludhiana, Supplier of Woollen/ Acrylic garments. This firm was blacklisted as their representative was found making supplies by way of unethical trade practices.

(2) M/s. Brawn Pharma, Supplier of medicines on account of supplying substandard quality of B. Complex Capsules.

(3) M/s. Alankar Stationery art, Nai Sarak, Delhi Supplier of stationery articles for supplying Truemen brand Pens which were found as sub-standard.

(4) M/s. Kapil flour Mills, Naya Bazar, Delhi supplier of agmark atta for not conforming to Agmark specifications for supply of Agmark atta.

(5) M/s I.K Distributors, supplier of national brand Air Cooler for supplying substandard quality of Air Coolers.

(6) M/s. Mittal File Manufacturing Company, Chawri Bazar, Delhi, supplier of stationery goods for supplying goods not conforming to prescribed specification.

(c) Only one firm namely M/s. Alankar Stationery Mart was re-introduced after verifying the product for which the firm was blacklisted. Teh quality verification was done at the quality testing Laboratory.

(d) During the last three years about 205 complaints regarding quality of goods were received from Government Departments, out of which 24 Complaints were about quality of stationery items, 181 relating to different departments of Super Bazar like furniture articles, household goods, footwear, textiles and drugs. Super Bazar has reported that they have taken action for redressal of all such Complaints and all of them were dealt with to the satisfaction of concerned Government Departments

Development of GSLV

4936. SHRI RAM NARESH SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made in the development of the Geostationary Satellite Launch Vehicle (GSLV); and

(b) the time by which the launch vehicle is expected to be tested?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) The Geostationary Satellite Launch Vehicle (GSLV) Project, to develop indigenous capability to launch two ton INSAT-2 class of satellites into geostationary orbit, was approved in November, 1990. During the last ten months substantial progress has been made. All the design parameters of GSLV has been finalised and reviewed both at subsystem and system level. Models of the rocket are under fabrication for carrying out detailed wind tunnel tests and procurement of long lead items has been initiated. Design and fabrication of facilities required for GSLV are also under way.

(b) Teh first flight test of GSLV is planned for end 1995.

Production of Industrial Alcohol

4937. SHRI RAM NARESH SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of industrial alcohol producing units currently functioning in Bihar alongwith their total capacity;

(b) how many licences have been granted for setting up of new industrial alcohol units in Bihar alongwith the total approved capacity during the last three years; and

(c) whether there has been any change in the licensing requirements and procedure for industrial alcohol units in the new Indus-